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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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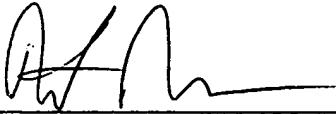
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Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT <i>(Use several sheets if necessary)</i>		APPLICANTS Jesus Guinea et al.			GROUP ART UNIT
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	4,273,963	06/16/81	Seidel	179	16 F	
	AB	5,257,286	10/26/93	Ray	375	12	
	AC	5,805,031	09/08/98	Cheng	333	28 R	
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION
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	AM				
	AN				
	AO				

OTHER PRIOR ART *(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)*

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- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. Payment Enclosed:

 Check Credit card Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee Code	Fee Description	
101	710	Utility filing fee	710
106	320	Design filing fee	
107	490	Plant filing fee	
108	710	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)	710

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	20	-20** =	0	X	Fee from below	=	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	3	-3** =	0	X			
Multiple Dependent				X			

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
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103	18	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2)		(\$)

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
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105	130	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
141	1,240	Petition to revive – unintentional	
142	1,240	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	Design issue fee	
144	600	Plant issue fee	
122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	130	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
146	710	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) _____		SUBTOTAL (3)	(\$)

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